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Mr. Marshall Kaufman
413 West 50th Street
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Dear Mr. Kaufman:

The reference to President Kennedy's wounds by Mrs. Kennedy was a very brief statement that merely described how bad they looked to her at the moment of impact.

There is ample evidence in the medical testimony, autopsy and testimony of witnesses at the time of the assassination so that this particular statement contributed nothing additional. It was allowed to be removed as a matter of good taste and because it could contribute nothing to the inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel

cc: Sen. Jacob K. Javits

J.L.R.